

## Bureau of Land Management, Interior

## § 3512.9-3

The amended application shall be accompanied by the required advance rental. No additional filing fees are required.

### § 3512.6 Withdrawal of application.

An application for permit may be withdrawn in whole or in part before the permit is signed on behalf of the United States. Upon acceptance of the withdrawal, the advance rental submitted with the application shall be refunded.

### § 3512.7 Permit bonds.

Prior to issuance of the permit, the applicant shall furnish a bond in an amount determined by the authorized officer, but not less than \$1,000. (See subpart 3504)

### § 3512.8 Terms and conditions of permit.

#### § 3512.8-1 Duration of permit.

Prospecting permits are issued for an initial term of 2 years, and may be extended for an additional period not to exceed 4 years as provided in § 3512.9 of this title. No exploration activities other than those approved as part of an existing exploration plan shall be conducted following expiration of the initial term unless and until the permit has been extended by the authorized officer.

#### § 3512.8-2 Dating of permits.

The permit shall be dated as of the first day of the month after its approval by the authorized officer unless the applicant requests in writing that it be dated the first day of the month in which it is approved.

#### § 3512.8-3 Annual rental.

Rental at the rate of 50 cents per acre or fraction thereof shall be paid annually on or before the anniversary date of the permit. The rental payment shall not be less than \$20.

#### § 3512.8-4 Special stipulations.

To insure adequate protection of the lands and their resources, permits shall contain such stipulations as may be prescribed by the authorized officer or the responsible official of the surface management agency if the surface is

not under Bureau jurisdiction as described in § 3500.9 of this title. (See part 3580)

### § 3512.9 Prospecting permit extensions.

#### § 3512.9-1 Conditions for, and duration of, extensions.

A permit may be extended for a maximum of 4 years at the discretion of the authorized officer provided that:

(a) The permittee has been unable, with reasonable diligence, to determine the existence or workability of valuable deposits covered by the permit and desires to continue the prospecting or exploration program. Reasonable diligence means that, in the opinion of the authorized officer, the permittee has drilled a sufficient number of core holes on the permit area or performed other comparable prospecting to explore the permit area within the time allowed; or

(b) The permittee's failure to perform diligent prospecting activities was due to conditions beyond his/her control.

#### § 3512.9-2 Application for extension:

(a) Filing requirements.

(1) No specific application form is required.

(2) Application for extension shall be filed in the proper BLM office at least 90 days prior to expiration of the permit.

(3) Applications for extension shall be accompanied by a nonrefundable filing fee of \$25, and advance rental of 50 cents per acre, or fraction thereof made payable to the Department of the Interior—Bureau of Land Management. The rental payment shall not be less than \$20.

(b) The application for extension shall:

(1) Demonstrate that the permittee has met the conditions for extension set out in § 3512.9-1 of this title;

(2) Demonstrate the permittee's diligent prospecting activities; and

(3) Show how much additional time is necessary to complete prospecting work.

#### § 3512.9-3 Effective date.

The permit extension shall become effective as of the date of approval.